UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

Office of Fire and Aviation 3833 South Development Avenue Boise, Idaho 83705-5354

November 28, 2003

In Reply Refer To: 9210 (FA-100) P

EMS Transmission 11/28/03 Information Bulletin No. OF&A 2004-021

To: State Directors

From: Director, Office of Fire and Aviation

Subject: 2003 National Fire Plan Awards Review Team

A call for National Fire Plan Award nominations was distributed under Information Bulletin OF&A 2004-018 dated November 21, 2003. Throughout the Bureau we have seen a tremendous level of initiative and accomplishment across the full scope of the National Fire Plan (NFP).

The awards are:

- 1. Excellence in Collaboration (new in 2003)
- 2. Excellence in Firefighter Preparedness, Safety and Training,
- 3. Excellence in Rehabilitation and Restoration,
- 4. Excellence in Hazardous Fuel Treatment.
- 5. Excellence in Community Assistance, and
- 6. Innovation in Utilization of Biomass (new in 2003).

The Office of Wildland Fire Coordination is requesting representatives to serve on the awards review panels. The reviews can be completed from home office locations and through conference calls with fellow panel members. The panels should complete their reviews by early January so that we can order the awards and make travel arrangements.

Please submit your nominees for the awards review panels to Erin Albiston by December 11, 2003. If you have any questions, please contact Wini Sorensen at 208 -387-5154 or Rick Tholen at 208-387-5321.

Signed by:

John E. Fend

Acting Director

Office of Fire and Aviation

Authenticated by:

Pat Lewis

Supervisory Mgmt. Asst.

Office Services

Distribution:

Acting Fire Program Advisor, FA-101, WO OF&A Management Team SFMOs BC Library